

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2951

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include vision restoration therapy devices and associated software used in the patient's home to treat impaired visual function due to acquired brain injury within the definition of durable medical equipment under the Medicare Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 2009

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York (for herself and Mr. GRAYSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Restorative and En-
3 hanced Vision Access for Medicare Patients (REVAMP)
4 Act of 2009”.

5 **SEC. 2. MEDICARE COVERAGE OF VISION RESTORATION**
6 **THERAPY DEVICES AND ASSOCIATED SOFT-**
7 **WARE AS DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(n) of the Social Se-
9 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(n)) is amended—

10 (1) by striking “and” before “includes”; and

11 (2) by inserting before the semicolon the fol-
12 lowing: “, and includes vision restoration therapy de-
13 vices and associated software that are used in the
14 patient’s home and that have been cleared or ap-
15 proved by the Food and Drug Administration for the
16 treatment of impaired visual function”.

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
18 subsection (a) shall apply to items furnished on or after
19 January 1, 2010.

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